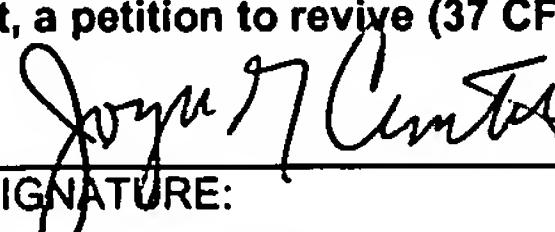


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TITLE OF INVENTION Shrinkage Reducing Additive for Cement Compositions		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Davide ZAMPINI		
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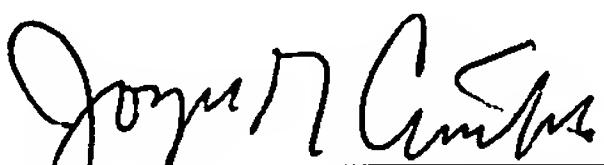
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